

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

A VERY charming dance was given in the Hermitage Golf Club last evening at 9 o'clock by Miss Martha Maury Robinson, of No. 618 1-2 West Franklin Street, her guests being debutantes of this season and last season, and the young society men of the city. Chaperons for the evening were Mr. and Mrs. George D. Mayo and Mr. and Mrs. W. S. P. Mayo. Decorations were in holly and Christmas evergreens, and were most appropriate to the season. Miss Robinson was, as always, a most graceful and delightful young hostess, and succeeded in rendering the dance thoroughly enjoyable to her friends among the younger contingent of the smart set attending.

The debutantes of this winter and of last winter include Misses Elsie Ingram, Susie McGuire, Barbara Trigg, Frances Myers, Helen Adams, Bertha Hamilton, Edith Taylor, Ella Suek, Lora Crump, Mary Taylor, Parvity, Claire Smith, Fanny Miller, Julia Putney Cone, Stella Moore, Eleanor Lindsey, Grace Neal, Virginia Watkins, Virginia Whiteley, Anne Kell Royall, Dudley Powers, Helen Tannor, Crump, Elizabeth Brown, of Bedford county, Miss Elizabeth Lewis Wheat, Miss Rachel Urquhart, Miss Elizabeth Johnston, Miss Mary Warfield Crenshaw, Miss Julia Grant Moore, Miss Lucy Parke Taylor, Miss Elizabeth Kent King, Miss Daisy Boykin, Meta Randolph, Anita Owens, Maria Milnes, Louise Clarke, Miss Sarah Chamberlayne, Miss Juliet Martin and Miss Myra Chambers.

Mrs. Sutton's Bridge Party.
Mrs. Corydon H. Sutton, of No. 494 West Franklin Street, gave a large and elegant bridge whist party yesterday afternoon, her guests being the leading society women of the city.

Sixteen tables played, the score cards and prizes being extremely dainty and suggestive of the season. Holly, poinsettias and palms made beautiful hall and drawing room decorations, mantels being banked with the holly and Christmas bells suspended by broad red satin ribbons from chandeliers and doorways.

The entertainment was one of the handsomest that has been given during the early winter.

Mrs. Taft Guest of Mrs. Mebane.

Mrs. J. Allison Hodges is a member of a house party now being entertained by Mrs. Frank Mebane, of Spray, N. C. Mrs. Mebane will have as her distinguished guest to-day Mrs. William H. Taft, wife of the President-elect, who will talk to the hostess and her friends at 11 o'clock this morning in the subject of "Welfare Work." Mrs. Mebane spends much of her time in New York, and is a frequent visitor at Hot Springs, Va. She is now at her country home for the holiday season. She is greatly interested in "Welfare Work" and anxious to see it taken up by Virginia and North Carolina women. Will return Tuesday.

Miss Page Aylett Royall, who has been visiting Mrs. Douglas Gordon and other friends in Baltimore, will return to Richmond next Tuesday.

She will be a guest of honor at a dinner given by Mrs. Gordon to-day.

Southern Social Register.
The Southern Cities Social Register, covering the cities from Richmond to Atlanta, which forms part of the series covering most of the cities in the United States from New York to San Francisco, and from Chicago to Atlanta, has just been issued.

The members of prominent families, wherever they may be residing, are grouped under the one address, with the maiden and Christian name of the married woman, and the names of the daughters and sons in the order of their age, and the younger children, from twelve to twenty years of age, are placed beneath their elders under the title of juniors.

Where the families are residing abroad the banker's address is given, and there is also mentioned the names of the ships and the dates of arrivals and departures from foreign ports.

In several instances the private telephone number is given where a person may be reached.

Married women who may only be remembered by their maiden name may be traced by consulting the list of "Married Maidens" in the back of the book.

Will Meet Friday Morning.
The committee of arrangements for the Christmas dinner to be given by the veterans at Lee Camp, will meet Friday morning at 11 o'clock in Lee Camp Hall. All interested are cordially invited to be present.

Kate Wheelock's Visit.
The final meeting of the Kate Wheelock Whist Club will be held in the home of Mrs. C. C. Walker on Park Avenue at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon. Members are requested to attend.

Wedding Cards.
Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Gouling, of Caroline, have issued cards for the marriage of their daughter, Ethel Fitzhugh, to Mr. Charles Lewis Davis, of Washington, D. C. The ceremony will take place in Bethesda Baptist Church, near Moss Neck, Caroline county, on Saturday, December 19, at 2:30 P. M. After January 10th Mr. and Mrs. Davis will be at home in Washington.

Tomlinson's Wake.
Mr. David William Dray has sent out invitations for the marriage of his daughter, Katherine, to Mr. Isaac Henderson Tomlinson, of Danville, Virginia, the wedding to be celebrated at Hill Hill, the bride's home, near Staunton, on Wednesday afternoon, December 23d, at 6 P. M.

Terry-Flippin.
At 8 o'clock yesterday morning, in the parlors of the Rev. G. W. Jones, the wedding of Miss Lucy Davis Flippin, daughter of the late John Flippin and Mrs. Flippin, of Sunny Side, Cumberland county, to Mr. Harry Thompson Terry, of this city, was celebrated. Only members of the families of the bride and groom were present.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Terry left for Washington and Baltimore. They will be at home in Richmond after the New Year.

Musical at Conservatory.
The semi-monthly musical will be given this evening in the studios of the Richmond Conservatory of Music. Mr. Perlicks, the Holland Violinist, will play during the evening. Music lovers are invited to attend.

Personal Mention.
Mr. and Mrs. William Munford, whose wedding was celebrated Monday, December 14th, in the home of Mrs. Munford's sister, Mrs. Beverly T. Crump, of this city, are now the guests of Mrs. N. T. Munford in Lynchburg, Va.

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fore leaving for their home in Uniontown, Ala.

Miss Rachel Smyth, of this city, is visiting Norfolk friends, and attended a birthday party recently given there to celebrate the sixteenth birthday of Miss Louise Nel.

Mrs. James J. Pritchett, Jr., who has been spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Drake, of Richmond, has returned to Danville.

Mr. Denny Wright, of Richmond College, will spend Christmas with his family at Tappahannock, Va.

Mrs. William J. Williams and Miss Evelyn Williams, of this city, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Broome, Raleigh Square, Ghent.

Mrs. Sarah F. Crown, of Winchester, Va., has been called to Keokuk, Mo., in response to a message announcing the illness of her daughter, Mrs. C. R. Meade.

Mr. B. A. Jones, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Jones, of Forest Hill, has accepted a position in Washington, and will make his home there in the future.

Miss Katherine Hagan, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Hagan, of 408 East Franklin Street, will return to

Richmond next Tuesday from Notre Dame, near Baltimore, to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman Allen are in New York, and are guests at the Murray Hill Hotel.

Bagley-Hethorn.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] KENNERIDGE, VA., December 18.—A social event of unusual importance took place here to-day in the marriage of Miss Ethel Bagley, daughter of Captain and Mrs. William Hethorn, to Mr. E. G. Bagley.

The marriage was solemnized at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon at the home of Captain Hethorn, Rev. B. F. Bedinger, of the Presbyterian Church, officiating. The parlor was lastly decorated

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health makes Mother most apprehensive. Gowans' Preparation, kept in the home to use in an emergency, relieves the Mother's fears. External use; 50c; 1.00. All druggists.

white and green. The bride entered on the arm of her sister, Miss Pauline Hethorn, and the groom was escorted to the altar by his brother, Mr. J. T. Bagley. Miss Annie Seay, of Blackstone, accompanied by Miss Belle Graham, sang "Were I a Flower" just before the ceremony was performed, after which Miss Seay played "Lohengrin" march, by which the couple and their attendants entered. During the ceremony Miss Seay played "Thoughts of Thee." The couples marched out of the parlor to the strains of Mendelssohn's march.

The bride was attired in a white messaline gown, with a long veil caught with a large pearl ornament. A gift of the groom. The maid of honor, Miss Pauline Hethorn, wore a canary satin gown, made in Directoire style. The bridesmaids, Misses Gladys Hethorn and Julia Bagley, wore white messaline gowns made Directoire style.

The matrons of honor were Mrs. W. P. Bagley, the sister of the groom, and Mrs. J. W. Buchanan, the sister of the bride, who wore dresses of white satin and lace.

The flower girls were little Misses Oris Blackwell and Amelia Hatched, dressed in white with yellow sashes.

The bride is one of the popular young ladies in a county noted for purity and in the present graduates of the Southern Female Seminary, of Petersburg. The groom is a popular young business man.

Many handsome presents were received, among which was a beautiful cut-glass water set, a gift from the cut-glass club, of which the groom was vice-president.

After the ceremony was over the young couple left for Blackstone, where they boarded the train for a tour of ten days through the Northern cities.

On Tuesday night preceding the marriage a reception was given by the relatives of the couple at the home of the bride's father. Misses Hethorn were assisted in receiving by Misses Hethorn, of Orange county; Ida Jones, of Emporia; Coleman, of Danville; Myron Galusha, of Dinwiddie.

Among those present were: Misses Coleman, of Danville; Ida Jones, of Emporia; Myron Galusha, of Dinwiddie; Janis Halsey, of Orange; Annie Seay, of Blackstone; May Love, Mary Seay, Julia Bagley, Mamie and Lessie Blackwell, Eva Orgain, Neil Webb, Belle Graham, Mary Lee and Sallie Bridgeforth, Hunter Mann, of New York; Logan Harris and Lewis Epps, of Blackstone; C. M. Love, of Bailey; J. G. Blackwell, W. S. Irbey, George B. Bridgeforth, B. A. Love, D. T. Kennedy, Charles B. Chappell, E. W. Day, R. L. Bagley, E. B. Stokes, C. and W. V. Blackwell, T. G. Hardy, Rutherford, Frank C. Bedinger, J. S. and A. H. Hatched, D. H. Bagley, Matthews, W. P. Bagwell, George Hatched and Lewis Sutter.

When the wedding cake was cut Miss Bettie Graham sang "The Maidens of Blackstone," the bride and the bride-to-be, Miss Hethorn, the money.

Gander-Shaffer.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

LULIA, Va., December 16.—At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Shaffer, on Mill Creek, the marriage of their oldest daughter, Miss Lella Blanche, to Mr. H. Gander, of the same neighborhood, took place at noon to-day. The attendants were Mr. Gilbert Gander with Miss Ollie Shaffer, Mr. Vernon Shaffer with Miss Ollie Varner, Mr. Harry Lionberger with Miss Lizzie Hite, and Mr. Reuben Long with Miss Lilla Hite. Mr. E. A. Strickler, of Shenandoah, presided at the organ. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. H. Pitman.

Mr. and Mrs. Gander left on an evening train for a few weeks' visit to Northern cities. After their return they will reside at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. V. B. Gander.

Waldrop-Holman.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

HYLAS, Va., December 16.—Berea Church was the scene of a pretty marriage yesterday evening, when Charles M. Waldrop and Miss Iola Holman were united in marriage by Rev. James A. Clarke. Following were members of the bridal party:

Miss Lela Puryear and Cecil Holman, Mr. Burton and Miss Lena Rine, Miss Ethel Drake and John Waldrop, Miss Maybelle Holman and Julian Sneed, Miss Lella Holman, maid of honor; Welford Gilman, best man.

Messrs. Jake Wiltshire and Irvin Grubb were ushers.

Whitner-Lewis.
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FREDERICKSBURG, VA., December 16.—Mr. B. F. Whitner, a well known young man of this city, and Miss Eva E. Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Lewis, of Spotsylvania county, were married this evening at 6:30 o'clock at Salem Baptist Church, near this city, by Rev. J. H. Henderlille and Rev. W. L. Dolly. There were a number of attendants. A reception was held at the home of the bride after the ceremony, and later Mr. and Mrs. Whitner came here and left on the 10 o'clock train for a wedding trip to the North, which they will reside in this city.

Douglas-Crosley.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

WASAW, VA., December 16.—A beautiful marriage took place at Council M. E. Church, near Kingsale, at 6 o'clock this evening, when Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Douglas, of Spotsylvania county, a prominent young farmer of Westmoreland, and Miss Alice E. Crosley, the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Crosley, of near Kingsale, Rev. H. H. Smith performing the marriage ceremony.

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Hall-Smith.
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march as the bridal party entered. Mrs. Charles V. Shields was dame of honor and Miss Ella Williams maid of honor. Both sisters of the bride. Mr. Charles V. Shields was best man. The bride's maids were Misses Nannie Burnett, Hattie Adams, Jessie Carter, Grace Conway, Ida Cox and Viola Shields. The groomsmen were Messrs. L. A. Bryant, Hubert Williams, E. C. Williams, J. H. Shields and W. S. Corbin. The bride, attired in blue satin, with hat and gloves to match and carrying Bride roses, entered with her brother, Mr. J. F. Williams, who gave her away. A reception followed at the home of the groom. The presents were numerous and useful.

Smallwood-Worthington.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] SPOTSYLVANIA, VA., December 16.—Roswell Smallwood, of Prince George county, Md., and Mrs. Nannie Worthington, of Spotsylvania county, were married at Spotsylvania, Va., to-day. The couple will reside in Maryland.

LODGE SPEAKS.

Makes Address in Senate on Brownsville Affair.
WASHINGTON, D. C., December 16.—The Brownsville affair was the subject of a speech made in the Senate to-day by Senator Lodge, who is a member of the Committee on Military Affairs, which investigated the charges that soldiers of the Twenty-fifth Regiment shot up the town.

Mr. Lodge opened his remarks by saying that he would make no reference whatever to the report of the investigation referred to by the President in his recent message to Congress.

The Senate galleries were filled when Mr. Lodge began his speech, very many of the visitors being negro men and negro women. Rather more Democrats than Republicans were present in the chamber while Mr. Lodge was speaking. In accordance with his request, he was not interrupted while speaking.

Prosperous at Prison.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] RALEIGH, N. C., December 16.—The members of the board of directors of the State penitentiary spent the day here going over matters relative to the biennial report from the institution for the approaching Legislature. The fiscal year only closed December 31st, so that the report cannot be completed until then. The report will, the directors say, show a very prosperous year, in spite of the heavy losses sustained through the big freshets on the Halifax State Farm. There are now about 700 convicts subject to the penitentiary authorities, about 100 less than eight years ago, when the present management took charge, there being a gradual falling off through the growth of the system of counties retaining their convicts for county road and other work.

Makes Good Showing.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] RALEIGH, N. C., December 16.—That North Carolina disposed of property holdings at the Jamestown Exposition, including the splendid \$25,000 State building, to better advantage than any other State in the Union that had Jamestown investments, is the showing that the North Carolina Commission is to make, so members declare, in the report now in process of preparation to be presented to Governor Glenn, and through him to the General Assembly, that convenes January 6th. G. W. Hinchshaw, of Winston-Salem, who was designated a consultant of one from the commission, reports, is here for that purpose, and he has adding him in the work H. C. Dockery, Rockingham, member of the commission, and Colonel T. E. Fergus, who served as commissioner-general for the North Carolina exhibits at Jamestown.

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